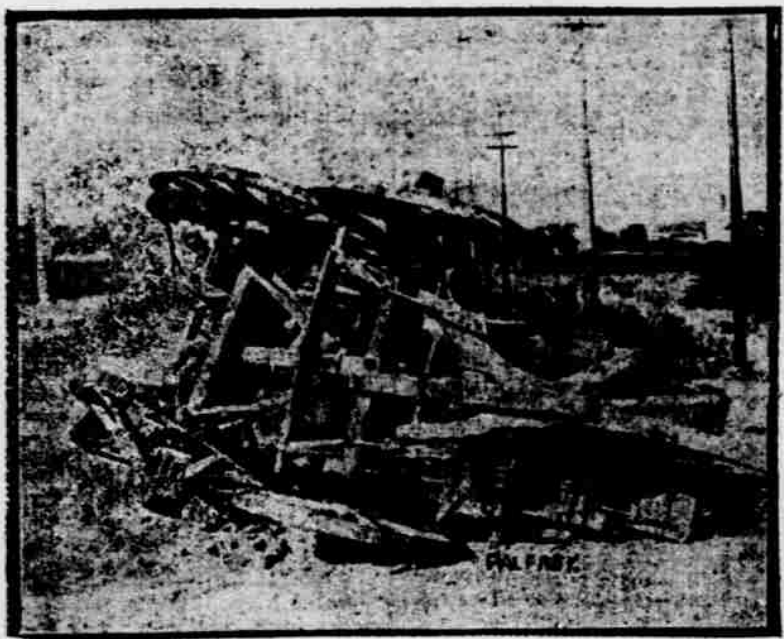


TRAFFIC IS OBSTRUCTED BY A WRECKED SPRINKLER.

Street Car Demolished the Wagon July 15 and the Owner, Henry Thies, Refuses to Remove It Until the Transit Company Has an Opportunity of Viewing Extent of Damage—Merchants Are Complaining.



WRECKED SPRINKLING WAGON AT BROADWAY AND OSCEOLA STREET WHICH THE MERCHANTS SAY HAS OBSTRUCTED TRAFFIC SINCE JULY 15.

A big street sprinkler has been lying, wheels up, impeding wagon traffic, across the road on the east side of the Broadway street car line tracks at Osceola street and South Broadway, since July 15, when it was wrecked by a car.

The merchants and residents of the vicinity are complaining, and the obstruction has been the cause of any amount of anger on the part of hucksters and draymen. But the owner, Henry Thies, it is said, will not remove it, the police have taken no action, and the Transit Company seems to take little interest in the matter.

A year ago, it is said, a car demolished another of Thies's wagons similarly, and he removed it to a shop, had it repaired and sent the bill for repairs to the Transit Company. The company refused to pay, because it had not seen the original

wrecked wagon and noted repairs necessary. This time, it is said, Thies says he intends to give the Transit Company ample opportunity to view the wreck, if it has to lie there, on his part, until the bands fall away in rust. He wants the Transit Company to pay this time. South St. Louisans ask who is responsible for the obstruction—the Transit Company, the Street Department, Thies or the police? The afternoon of the accident Edward Spengemann was driving across the tracks with a full tank of water. He says the car struck the wagon while running at a high rate of speed. The wagon was turned completely around and upside down and the tank burst. Spengemann was thrown across the track and sustained a broken collar bone, bruised ribs and a severe shock to his brain. It is said the street car crowd did not offer to help him, and he was carried away unconscious by Henry W. F. Smith. He was attended by Dr. A. E. Schnell, and is yet in a critical condition.

WANT A PROCLAMATION TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

President Francis of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition and Chairman Carter of the National Commission May Go to Washington to Request President McKinley to Invite Other Peoples to Participate in the St. Louis World's Fair.

CARRIER PIGEONS TO HERALD OPENING OF THE EXPOSITION.

President Francis of the Exposition Company and Chairman Carter of the World's Fair Government Commission may go to Washington to lay before President McKinley the necessity for the immediate issuance of a proclamation inviting foreign nations to participate in the St. Louis World's Fair.

President Francis late yesterday afternoon sent a dispatch to Chairman Carter inviting him to St. Louis to confer on the subject. If Chairman Carter gives a prompt favorable reply it is not unlikely that they may leave St. Louis for Washington before the end of the week.

President Francis and Secretary Stevens, the subcommittee appointed by the Executive Committee, spent the entire afternoon yesterday getting together the material that will have to accompany the President's proclamation when it is sent to foreign nations.

CARRIER PIGEONS SUGGESTED AS FEATURE OF FAIR OPENING.

At the meeting of the Committee on Agriculture yesterday Robert Aull, secretary of the committee, submitted a new and original plan to use homing or carrier pigeons as a feature of the Fair's opening.

At Chicago and Buffalo homing pigeons were released on the fair grounds to carry the news of the opening of the exposition far and wide to their homes. Robert Aull's plan is to provide a big loft on the World's Fair site at the earliest possible time, to which, at nesting time next spring, each pigeon fancier who can be enlisted will send a young squab of the carrier variety. These birds are to be "homed" at the World's Fair grounds and trained according to the accepted tenets of the fancier to return to those grounds when released at a distance.

A few days before the opening of the fair they are to be returned to the persons who sent them, with instructions that they be released at the exact time of opening the exposition. The arrival of the birds at the exposition grounds, bearing such messages as the owners please to send will form a feature of the opening entirely different from that at Chicago or Buffalo.

"The advantage of this plan," says Robert Aull, "is the publicity it would give the Fair. There would be two opportunities for such publicity. The first would be when the fancier sends his squab. The other would be when he releases it for its return to the World's Fair grounds. In addition, the pigeons in training at the grounds would form a marked pre-Exposition attraction, which would bring hundreds of visitors. After the opening of the Exposition the pigeons, especially those which made a 1,000-mile record, or a 500-mile record, would prove a great attraction. During the fair carrier-pigeon races could form a feature that would interest hundreds. The birds all bound to the same loft and starting at the same time from the same place, would make pretty races."

THINKS PIGEON FANCIERS WOULD BE EASILY INTERESTED.

"It would not be hard to interest pigeon fanciers in the plan," Charles H. Jones, secretary of the National Association of Homing Pigeon Fanciers, would be willing to help.

Robert Aull is president of the Mound City Homing Pigeon Club of St. Louis and has connections with fanciers in many places. "Thoroughbred homing pigeons," he continues, "are registered the same as pedigree dogs and horses. A few days after they emerge from the shell a second aluminum band bearing a registry number, supplied by Secretary Jones of the National Association, is slipped over their left foot. After a few days' growth the band cannot be removed without injury to the bird. The owner would be able at any time

BRYAN FROWNS ON ALL TALK OF BOLTING.

Advises Democrats of Ohio to Support Their Candidates and Platform.

NO COMFORT FOR REPUBLICANS

Desertion at This Time, He Declares, Would Only Weaken Reform Element in the Party.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 8.—Mr. Bryan will tomorrow make this public statement of why he disapproved the bolt of the Bryan Democrats:

"Whether the Ohio Democracy is to take its position on the Grover Cleveland side of public issues is a question yet to be determined—a question to be determined at the primaries after the people understand the issue presented. To leave the party at this time is to assume the battle lost, and, by assuming it lost, help the enemy. When the fight was made between 1895 and 1896 we had an administration to fight as well as all the banks and railroads. Now many who were against us then act openly with the enemy, and those who have returned after a temporary sojourn in the camp of the enemy are handicapped by the record they have made."

"There is no evidence that the Democratic voters in Ohio favor a noncommittal, evasive and ambiguous platform, such as the Democratic party promulgated when the Wall street influences were in control, and no one should assume the existence of such sentiment without positive proof."

Question Confronting Democrats.

"But the question which confronts the loyal Democrats of Ohio is how best to correct the mistakes made by the convention and thus rescue the Democratic party from the control of those who would repudiate it. The fact that the platform contains much that is good, together with the further fact that the candidates nominated, from Mr. Kilbourne down, through the entire list, have been supporters of the party ticket in recent campaigns, would make it impossible to organize a bolt with any promise of success. The first effect of a bolting ticket would be, therefore, to augment the chances of Republican success. This fall the second effect would be to lessen the influence of the bolting Democrats in future party contests. It is not fair to assume that the convention spoke for the rank and file of the party in repudiating the Kansas City platform, and those who leave the party at this time weaken the reform element of the party and give to the gold and corporation element, greater proportionate influence in the party management."

DAMAGES FOR INJURED LEG.

Woman Bitten by Dog Recovers \$5 From Owner of Animal.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.

Paterson, N. J., Aug. 8.—Judge Lewis today decided that the calf of a woman's leg was damaged to the extent of \$5 when a place was bitten out of it and its contour completely spoiled.

Mrs. Hanger, a comely Holland woman, sued Mrs. Michel for damages done her by the latter's dog biting "a piece out of the fattest place on the calf of her leg."

The case was proved, and the Judge awarded her \$5 damages.

LONG TROLLEY LINE PROJECT.

Electric Road Planned to Connect Kansas City and St. Joe.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Boston, Mass., Aug. 8.—A syndicate of Boston people are considering a project to build a high-speed electric road between Kansas City and St. Joseph, Mo., a distance of fifty-three miles. Such a project would require the building of a bridge across the Missouri River at a cost of about \$1,000,000, and the plan involves the expenditure of between \$2,500,000 and \$3,000,000.

At the present time these cities are connected by two roads—the Burlington and Chicago Great Western—but the distance by steam road is sixty-two miles. If the electric road, as contemplated, is built, the time between the two cities would be cut down and fares cut half. The road would do a freight as well as a passenger business.

A New Line to Be Constructed.

Galveston, Tex., Aug. 8.—The Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway has just completed its extension from Raymond to Silsbee, a distance of forty-six and six-tenths miles, where it connects with the Kansas City, Beaumont and Gulf road, recently acquired by the Santa Fe. This will open another line to Beaumont. The operation of this new branch will be commenced at noon next Sunday, and the locomotives to be used will be oil burners.

Special Texas Passenger Rates.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Dallas, Tex., Aug. 8.—The passenger departments of all the lines in Texas met today to arrange rates for the Texas State Fair, to be held in Dallas during the latter part of September and the first part of October. It was agreed to allow one fare plus 10 cents for the round trip for distances of 150 miles or less; longer distances to be given concession rates, and these rates are not as low as the State Fair management desired, they are much lower than ever before allowed.

KILLED SNAKE ON A LAWN.

Venomous Copperhead's Fatal Invasion of Cincinnati.

Cincinnati, O., August 8.—A copperhead snake created a panic at the home of Officer Joseph Mathes, on Price Hill. Mrs. Mathes was sprinkling the lawn and in walking thereon the grass disturbed the reptile, which reared its head and, with a hiss, leaped at the frightened woman. It fell short in its leap, however, and before it could get for another spring Mrs. Mathes, screaming, ran toward the house. Her husband ran to her aid, catching up a clothes pole he quickly dispatched the snake. It was three feet long, as thick as a man's wrist and of a dark reddish brown color.

EJECTED THE PROPRIETOR.

Saloon Patrons Angered When He Refused to Cash Check.

Duluth, Minn., Aug. 8.—Peter Ehrmantraut, a saloonkeeper at 169 Hastings avenue, was ejected from his place of business by two customers because he refused to accept a check which they presented in payment for drinks. The men ordered whiskey and tendered a check. Ehrmantraut refused to cash it, saying it was not his business to cash checks. They then refused to cash it, saying it was not his business to cash checks. They then refused to cash it, saying it was not his business to cash checks.

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Chairman of the Legislation Committee of the City Council, who says progressive spirit is necessary for the success of the New St. Louis.

As chairman of the Committee on Legislation of the City Council, George D. Markham conducted the public hearing on the bill proposing the annexation of the city, Mayor Wells declared that corporations and individuals obtaining special privileges from the city should be paid for all privileges which it grants. The city's business must be transacted in a businesslike manner, for the city's benefit.

Mr. Markham has presided over the City Council on several occasions at the request of President Hornsby and Vice President Boyce. The purpose of the officers of the City Council is to offer the chair, from time to time, to the various members, and, during the autumn and winter season even Republican Councilmen will be thus honored by the Democratic majority. This policy may appear to be an extraordinary departure, but its object is to maintain harmony for the New St. Louis.

Mr. Markham is president of the National Association of Local Fire Insurance Agents, and a graduate of Harvard University and the St. Louis Law School; vice president of the Mercantile Library and the St. Louis Choral Society, and director in the University Club. He is a member of the insurance firm of W. H. Markham & Co. in the Century building.

Whatever project may promote the interests of St. Louis," Mr. Markham asserts, "will have my support in the City Council and out of it and at all times. My efforts and time are at the command of St. Louis."

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PERMANENT CAMP PLAN DISCUSSED.

Purchase of Site Adjacent to Jefferson Barracks Recommended by Business Men.

The joint committee composed of members representing the Business Men's League, the Mercantile Club and the Merchants' Exchange, having in charge the movement looking to the location at Jefferson Barracks of one of the four troop camps authorized by Congress for the mobilization and maneuvering of the National Guard and regular army of the country, met last night at the Mercantile Club.

Colonel Eugene Spencer presided, Colonel N. M. Bell was secretary, and Colonel J. C. Young assistant secretary.

The meeting was addressed by General John C. Bates, Colonel John A. Kress, Major T. T. Davis, Captain W. H. Beam, Major John Harrison, Colonel Eugene Spencer, Colonel C. A. Sinclair, Henry Mott, John Schoers and Edwin Harrison.

It was the opinion of the officers that the reservation at Jefferson Barracks afforded ample space for two divisions of troops to camp without encroaching upon the barracks. By purchasing or leasing about 30 acres of available land across the Telegraph road from the reservation a site adequate to the demands of a division camp and maneuver ground could be had without encroaching upon barracks grounds.

It was the consensus of opinion that, since the improved drainage system has been in operation and city water has been available, Jefferson Barracks is one of the healthiest locations in the country. This was testified to by several officers of experience there, and it was suggested that the medical record since these improvements have been made a part of the recommendation to be presented to the Department of War.

The importance of constructing a first-class driveway or boulevard from the city to the barracks was emphasized by several speakers and concurred in by every one present.

John Schoers pointed out the necessity of promptly locating the site, and a plan of action and to raise the means to carry the movement forward. On motion of Colonel George D. Markham the committee was increased to five members, including the chairman and secretary, Colonel Spencer, General John A. Kress, Major T. T. Davis, Captain W. H. Beam, United States Army; Colonel C. A. Sinclair, Major C. Young of Governor Dockery's staff; Major A. A. Marquard, Colonel Eugene Spencer, W. P. Lightholder, H. T. Matt, Edwin Harrison, Colonel Robert Buchanan, O. J. Whitehaw, W. P. Kennett, T. R. Ballard, Russell Harding, James Cox, John Collins, Edwin Hartford, John Schoers, C. D. Comfort, George T. Cram, George D. Reynolds, Charles Hammer and John H. Terry.

At the monthly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Business Men's League at the Mercantile Club yesterday afternoon it was decided by resolution to make a vigorous and sustained effort to obtain for St. Louis one of the four troop camps authorized by an act of Congress enlarging the regular army, before the opening of the World's Fair. The league solicits the cooperation of all other local organizations.

A special membership meeting of the league will be held about a month prior to the Charter amendments election, when the amendments will be discussed and the election. At the meeting yesterday afternoon was tendered the Smoke Abatement Association in obtaining the early passage of the ordinance.

The Entertainment Committee of the league will arrange to give a social gathering from the Commercial Club of Dallas, which will visit St. Louis at an early date.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.

Victoria, British Columbia, Aug. 8.—There was a scene on the steamship Zealandia on her last voyage from Seattle to Honolulu, according to news by the Moana, because Captain Dowell of the Oceanic liner refused to allow Mrs. Theresa Wilcox, wife of the Hawaiian delegate to Congress, to give a Hawaiian Hula Hula dance in the saloon on the voyage. Mrs. Wilcox found a young woman who was an expert at the dance, and she arranged for an entertainment. Captain Dowell looked in, and seeing the wriggling dancer, at once gave orders that such a scene was not to be repeated on a communication line.

Mrs. Wilcox, who told the passengers that she could see anything wrong with the Hula-Hula dance, arranged another performance for the next evening, but a quartermaster interrupted her. He said the captain's orders that the Hula Hula dance be dispensed with.

Mrs. Wilcox was highly indignant, and complaining of insult, at once sought the captain. She sent a message to him that she wanted to see him, but Captain Dowell preferred not to be seen. He was on duty on the bridge, and did not come down. Mrs. Wilcox waited all night, and then she left for over an hour, and then she came up. She threatened to lodge a complaint against Dowell with the steamship company.

UNCLE SAM HAS HIS CASH.
Fortune of Millions May Go to Young Pole.

New York, Aug. 8.—A fortune of \$2,000,000, now in the United States Treasury, awaits a young Pole named Dembitzky, provided he can trace his relationship to Baron Ludwig Napoleon Dembitzky, who fought in the Union Army and died on the battlefield during the Civil War.

An attorney of this city has been retained by the young man, who is now living in Russia. The attorney, who has been in communication with Secretary Gage, said that the record of the Government's indebtedness to the original Dembitzky has been found.

Dembitzky left Poland in 1863 and came to this country. He had \$600,000 in American money, which he deposited with the Federal Government. In Washington he was killed in the battle of the Wilderness. In 1867 his grand nephew in Russia communicated with the Government, informing him of the money left by the old soldier in the Government's care and asking for proof of relationship. The sum, with compound interest, now amounts to more than \$2,000,000.

Considerable difficulty was encountered in establishing the relationship, because many records in churches and courthouses in Poland were destroyed by fire. A month ago, a Bible, containing the family tree, was found, which, it is now conclusively established, establishes the claims of the nephew.

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Professor Munyon says: "Thousands fail every year because of indigestion and other troubles. Munyon's Dyspepsia Cure makes one eat what they like, all they like and when they eat they feel better. It makes good, rich blood and gives new life to the system. For babies it drives away green and makes life worth living."

If you are nervous; if you can't sleep; if you don't relish good food; if you are constipated; if you are dizzy or worn out, get a trial of Munyon's Dyspepsia Cure. It gives immediate relief and permanent cure."

If you want your skin to be as soft as velvet you should use Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap. It cures itching, blackheads and all facial blemishes. It improves any complexion and makes the skin shine with youthful freshness. For babies it is truly a blessing. It cures hives, chafing, freckles and all other skin troubles. It is the best toilet soap made.

If you have any disease, write Professor Munyon, Broadway, corner Twenty-sixth street, New York. He will tell you the quickest way to get well. Confidential advice free.

His prescription—Buy a round-trip ticket to Colorado.

Unusually cheap rates now and during September—\$21 from St. Louis, \$15 from Kansas City.

Ride on a Santa Fe train. In observation Pullman or chair car.

Eat Harvey meals en route, drink Manitowish water, climb Pike's Peak, catch trout, camp out, rough it, get tanned, get rested. Return home cured.

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SHARK BIT OFF LEG OF NAVAL OFFICER.

Quartermaster S. McKie Probably Will Receive a Pension for Loss of the Member.

Washington, Aug. 8.—Admiral Kempf has forwarded to the Navy Department an official report, thrilling in its details, of the biting off of the leg of Quartermaster S. McKie, U. S. Navy, by a shark or other mammoth sea monster.

The Annapolis has been stationed at late at Hilo, and on June 21st a party was sent out for a rifle practice. Several of the men were killed and McKie was among them. He made a dive and was gone for several seconds.

A body of water was covered with blood near where he disappeared, and McKie was pulled in by his companions.

A horrible sight met their eyes, the Quartermaster's leg having been bitten off near the knee. It was necessary to amputate the limb above the wound, and McKie was crippled. Under the circumstances the crippled Quartermaster probably will receive a pension.

LOOKING AFTER STATE FUNDS.

Special Committee Interview Texas Officials—Work of Redistricting.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 8.—The special committee appointed by the House to investigate why the State of Texas had so much money on deposit in the First National Bank when the bank was closed by a representative of the Comptroller last Sunday, held its second meeting today behind closed doors.

State Treasurer Robbins testified that there was \$38,282.25 tied up in the bank, the same being money collected by the bank for the State Treasury on checks sent here to cover taxes and money due on State lands. He testified that it had been customary to send remittances by means of checks, and the checks would be turned over to the local banks for collection, the money being sent to the State Treasury every thirty days, or at such intervals as was deemed necessary.

Secretary of State Todd was also before the committee to explain why there was \$22,000 of his money deposited there. His explanation was in substance the same as Treasurer Robbins'. Several of the First National Bank officials were examined on the same line.

Bank Examiner Logan declined to come before the committee, stating that as a representative of the United States Government he was not permitted to give any report without permission from Washington. Judging from the expressions heard among the committee they are contending that the State Treasury has no right to accept checks in payment for money to the Treasury, and that the checks should be turned over to the local banks for collection, the money being sent to the State Treasury every thirty days, or at such intervals as was deemed necessary.

In the work of redistricting the committee has been examining the bills that have been drafted have made about five of the districts either stronger for the Republicans or doubtful, and from now on every effort will be exerted by the committee to so arrange the district as to make them all Democratic.

Pending a report from the committee there will be nothing done in either legislative body before next Monday.

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